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Previous References
nil 65-31-4-5-

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Later References
nil 59-32-32.

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Serial Nos

Part B for September 1932

SUBJECT

Interpellation by Mr Balan Srinivasangar— at the budget session of the RA in June 1932 re the powers delegated to the Vice-President of the Kumbakonam Municipality.

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June 1932

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Revenue and Revenue Secretariat | DC File No 4241/2 of 1931.

Serial No	
4	Interpellation by Mr Belur Srinivasa Iyengar, Bangalore Taluk regarding the powers delegated to the Vice-President, Kankanhalli Municipality. I submitted with a draft calling for information on all the points from the D.C Bangalore District, for approval. HHS 30/4 AS 1/5
	TYPING SECTION 2 MAY 1932 GENL & REV SECTT — No 2-7401 dated 2nd May 1932 To the D.C Bangalore Dt calls for draft replies on all the points raised in the above interpellation.
	OFFICE OF THE SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL 22 MAY 1932 No 9812
14	Letter No C2-4148/31-32 dated 12-5-32 from the D.C Bangalore District forwarding furnishing the information called for.
	GENERAL SECRETARIAT 19 MAY 1932 No 7943
	✓ Replies to items 1 and 3 seem to require a little modifications. Submitted for orders if they can be adopted with/to HHS 16/5 Draft replies revised 3 Revised draft replies submitted (in duty) TYPING SECTION 25 MAY 1932 GENL & REV SECTT HHS 23/5

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To the RA Rockingham taking 3 Copies of the reply

Copies tallent file returned
BDW. 26/5 — 27/5

Please take action re supplementary questions of which a copy is in D.C. Question file

25/5/32

Reply 27/5

Reply re dismissed police 24-25-31

As regards the above supplementary question (a) re the appearance of an article in the Vishvakarnataka, the Ind Pol has explained the circumstances in full in his explanatory note.

As regards supplt Question (b) — dept enquiring and.

27/5/32

There is also an interpellation re the deputation of Prem Shankar Lal & Prof Thomas up & also the visit of Hindu Comm to be requested on the eve of the Viceroy's tour

By 28/5 the two files and interpellation returned 27/5

Serial No

Sd/-

1/ There have been two promises held. (1) as regards the ~~[illegible]~~ post in Kankanhalli taluq and (2) as regards the signing papers by the Secretary for the Resident

As regards (1) the circumstances under which the peon had been asked to work in office has been explained in the memo accompanying draft replies to the interpellation. For orders whether any action is necessary

As regards (2) ~~[illegible]~~ as signing papers for Resident, kind reference is invited to the replies received from the Dy Com' on the supplementary questions in minor affrs no L S 151-61/ml 53-28-8d)/12 29 where seems to be no irregularity

Submitted for orders

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13 - No further action seems necessary on the promises

(The Dy Com' has ~~[illegible]~~ been asked to look into the municipal affairs in Kankanhalli / Subramanya repeat) by Cameron in his letter

14 R. B seen their representations for suitable action

26/8/32

Noted & Retd

L.V. 4: B with Confdl

26/8/32

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
-26 AUG 1932-
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
AND
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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By [illegible] Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar's note in B file

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THE MYSORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

BUDGET SESSION, JUNE 1932.

Mr. V. VENKATAPPA.-

Q.-115. Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the elected Vice President of Kankanhalli Municipality has been given any powers;

(b) if the answer is in the affirmative, what those powers are;

(c) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to what has appeared in the "Viswakarnataka", page 15, dated 7th February 1932, regarding Kankanhalli Municipal President's order regarding a Municipal peon;

(d) whether the same President has been regular in attendance at Municipal meetings of 28th February 1932 and 4th December 1931, and his relation with the Vice President has been cordial?

a fact, before furnishing this answer ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: Government asked neither the President nor the Vice President.

MR. V.V. IYER: Is the delegation of powers to the Vice President permitted by the rules ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: The rules permit of delegation by mutual agreement. The President and the Vice President can adjust the work among themselves.

MR. V.V. IYER: If there is mutual adjustment in the work owing to the cordial relationship between the President and the Vice President, will there be no objection ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: There cannot be any objection.

Capt. Y.V. AYYA: Has there any charge in the Bill Collectors in the Kankanhalli Municipality ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: We do not know.

CAPT. Y.V. AYYA: Are there any changes in regard to cotrot/and mohataffa collections ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: Government have no information.

CAPT. Y.V. AYYA: For how many days in the month does the Vice President remain at Kanhanhalli?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: No information.

CAPT. Y.V. AYYA: The answer to (d) (i) is that the President is reported to have attended the meetings referred to. When did those meetings take place ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: We do not know.

CAPT. Y.V. AYYA: Has it come to the notice of Government that the meeting was held before the time announced and there was no quorum ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: No Information.

CAPT. Y.V. AYYA: During collection season, when a destraint order was issued by the President, did the Vice President say that the order should not be carried out ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT:
~~CANXXXXXXXXXXX~~ We have no information.

MR. RAGHUNATHA REDDI GOUDA: Is it not necessary to furnish definite answers to the supplementary questions put by the members of the House ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT. If sufficient notice is given, they will be furnished.

MR. [illegible] CHETTY: If the Government have

perused the article, what are the steps taken by them in the matter ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: That question had not been asked.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Why did not the President exercise the powers himself instead of delegating them to the Vice President ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: We do not know.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Did you ask the President ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: NO.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Did not the Government consider it necessary to ask the President ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: We did not find any necessity.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Why did not the President report the matter referred to in the Article to the Council and then to Government ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: The matter was small and there was no need to come up before Government.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Is it not necessary to help non-official members in their work ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: Yes. It is certainly necessary.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Do you think that there are no defects in the working of the Municipality ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: There are other

authorities to look into those things. If they should report the matter to Government, then ~~it~~ they will look into it.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Did you get a report from that authority in the matter ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: Yes.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Then, why did you not furnish the information to the members of the House ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: There is nothing in the report beyond what is furnished in the answer.

MR. P. SUBBARAYA CHETTY: Is it not clear from the replies given here that the rights of ~~[illegible]~~ non-officials have been interfered with ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: No.

MR. V. VENKATAPPA: Has it come to the notice of Government that the Shirastedar has been attending to the duties of the Vice President ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: We are not aware.

MR. V. VENKATAPPA: If that is a fact, is it not against the rules ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: That is a hypothetical question.

MR. D.S. PALLADA: Will the Government enquire whether the Shirastedar has been signing for the President ?

(6) ~~to~~ 11 CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT: We will enquire.

FORM II

[redacted] of Interpellations proposed for reply in the Budget.

[redacted] of the Representative Assembly of the Bangalore District.

For the .. Budget Session of . June 1932

Subject	Interpellation
No 2 **Name of Member** Rao Bahadur Srinivasa Iyengar, Rural constituency Bangalore Taluk	Will the Government be pleased to state - 1) Whether the elected Vice-President of Kan anahalli Mun cipality has been given any powers? 2) If the answer is in the affirmative, what are these powers 3) Whether the attention of Government has been drawn to that has been appeared in "V[redacted]a Karnataka" page 15, dated 7th [redacted]ebruary 1932 regarding Kan a[redacted] Mun cipal President's orders regarding a Municipal peon? 4) Whether the same President has been regular in attendance at Municipal meetings of 25th Februar, 1932 and 4th December 1931, and whether his relationship with the Vice President has been cordial?

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Appendix F G—1]

SUBJECT

Section MP

File No 230—31

Serial No 8

Diary No of letter replied to 24241

No L 7401/one

To

The Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 2-5-31

Signed by M. D. S. R.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith copy of interpellation No 2 (by Mr Belur Srinivasa Ayengar, Bangalore) proposed for being answered at the ensuing session of the Representative Assembly of June 1932, regarding certain affairs of the ~~The Revenue Spaces to the~~ Vice-President, Kankanhalli Municipality and to request you to be so good as to furnish ~~full replies on~~ draft replies on the points ~~within a week~~ before the 10th inst.

I have etc

List of enclosures

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for General Secretary to Govt

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Dated, Bangalore, the 12th May . *1932*

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FROM

K.V.Anantaraman,Esqr., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District

GENERAL SECRETARY'S
16 MAY 1932

H V.Ramaswami,Esqr., M.A., B.L.,
General *Secretary,*
to the Government of Mysore
Bangalore

SIR,

Subject —

With reference to your letter No.L.7401/M1 230-31 dated 2-5-1932 calling for draft replies re. interpellation No.2 by Mr.Belur Srinivasa Iyengar,Bangalore, proposed to be answered at the ensuing Session of the Representative Assembly of June 1932, I have the honour to enclose here draft replies received from the President of Kankanhalli ~~taluk~~ Municipality together with an explanatory Memorandum

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your most obedient servant,

K. Anantaraman

Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District.

V V.

Reply to the interpellation No.2 of Mr. Belur Srinivasa Iyengar proposed for reply in the budget session of the Representative Assembly. of June 1932.

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1. From the records available in the Municipal Office, it is seen that no specific powers have been delegated to successive Vice-Presidents. The present incumbent however who is the elected Vice-President of the Kankanhalli Municipality for nearly 12 years or more has been exercising the following powers on what is believed to be a longstanding convention.

(i) Signing of all routine correspondence and returns and passing of intermediate orders on correspondence.

(ii) Receiving petitions and applications in the absence of the President at Head quarters.

(iii) Conducting sales under proper sanction, sales of movable properties belonging to the Municipal Council or which have been attached under the provisions of the Municipal Regulation.

2. Answer furnished above.

3. An article referred to in the interpellation did appear in the issue of 7-2-1932 of the "Visvakarnataka" weekly. (An explanatory note regarding the circumstances under which the mero under reference was issued is sent enclosed).

4. The President has been fairly regular in his attendance at Municipal meetings. Both on the 4th. December 1931 and 28th. February 1932 the President has conducted the Municipal meeting. The relationship between the President and the Vice-President is believed to have been generally cordial.

President.
Kankanhalli Municipal Council.

Kankanhalli.
Dated 4th. May 1932.

Memo of Powers and Duties of the Vice-President for Kankanhalli Municipal Council delegated by the President under Section 25 (1) of the Municipal Regulation.

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D U T I E S.

1. The Vice-President shall be in immediate charge of the Municipal Office and the establishment attached to it and shall superintend the Municipal Office and the work connected therewith. He shall assist the President in every matter connected with the conduct of Meetings and other business of the Council. He shall also supervise the work of the Executive staff of the Municipality and see that every officer does his work properly.

2. He shall be in charge of the imprest and ~~xxxxx~~ cash and maintain proper accounts for sums spent out of the imprest.

3. He shall be responsible for all routine work in the office and the maintainance of proper and correct accounts and registers.

4. He shall check ~~the~~ the measurements for work done and estimates for works and supervise ~~the~~ public works executed by the Municipality.

5. He shall be responsible for the timely compilation and submission of monthly and other periodical accounts and returns to the Officers concerned except Budget and Administration Reports.

6. He shall report for the orders of the President cases of offences falling within the purview of the Municipal Regulation or the rules or Byelaws framed thereunder.

7. He shall inspect the Town once a week atleast and see that the out door establishment is properly worked.

8. He shall supervise the collection work of the Municipality. He shall be responsible for issue of bills for taxes and for the ~~xxxxx~~ rent of the Mutton stall.

9. He shall be responsible for demanding payment of taxes, contributions and other sums due from Government and other depart-ments and report cases of delay in regard to the adjustment of such dues.

10. He shall be in touch with the work of the different commi-ttees of the Municipal Council.

11. He shall be responsible for taking needful steps to check the spread of infectious diseases and submit periodical reports

reports to higher officers in connection therewith.

P O W E R S.

1. He may sign all routine correspondence and returns and pass intermediate orders on correspondence and take action in accor--dance with the orders passed by the President on original files. He may also sign for the President in all ordinary papers inclu--ding fair copies.

2. He may receive petitions and applications in the absence of the President from Head quarters, hear petitioners and submit to the President all ~~xx~~ papers requiring final orders by him.

3. He may conduct under proper sanction, sales of lands, or produce of lands, trees, manure and other movable properties belonging to the Municipal Council or which have been attached under the provisions of the Municipal Regulation whenever the estimate does not exceed Rs.25/- subject to the confirmation by the President.

4. He may pay rewards not exceeding Re.1/- in each case for the destruction of wild animals and snakes according to the scale prescribed by Government or Municipal Council within the sanc--tioned budget estimate.

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PRESIDENT.

Kankanahalli Municipal Council.

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President

Confidential.

Explanatory ~~memo~~ note to accompany the answers to the interpellation of Mr. Belur Srinivasa Iyengar, Rural constituency, Bangalore Taluk for the ensuing Budget session of the Representative Assembly.

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When I assumed charge of the Taluk I noticed that the condition of the Municipality regarding its revenue resources and collection of outstandings required drastic changes so as to ensure prompt collection of heavy arrears of Mohatarfa and preventing sources of leakage in octroi revenue. With this end in view a redistribution of work of the existing staff was ordered by me. The Municipal Clerk, the Bill collector, and the Octroi Manegar were all local men who were naturally subject to influences of various kinds. None of them was appointed under the C.R.B. Rules. The Bill Collector who was the local Shanubhogue's brother did hardly anything to speed up collection work. The Octroi Manegar who is only a municipal peon was being continued as Octroi Manegar and his work was found to be - thoroughly unsatisfactory. Both the Octroi Manegar and the Bill Collector had to be changed in the interests of work and this seems to be the basis for all troubles that has come up in Municipal affairs. The Vice-President Mr. Gurukar Venkata-ramane Gowda did not appear to be in favour of upsetting the previous arrangements with the result he was openly showing his displeasure and on more occasions than one he interfered in the collection work of the Bill Collector newly employed. About this time there was also agitation in some of the vernacular Bangalore News papers. But inspite of all that vigorous attempts had to be made to enforce discipline among the staff and coercive processes were also adopted for collection of Municipal taxes.

Regarding the question of delegation of powers Mr.Venkata-ramana Gowda who is the present Vice-President has been - continuously working as elected Vice-President of the Municipality for the last 12 years or more. From the records available

available I dont think he has raised h.
time previously nor is there any definite delegation
powers by previous official Presidents at any time. But
according to a convention or existing practice he is
actually exercising some powers detailed in the answer to
No. 1 of the interpellation and during my time I have not
interfered with the previous arrangement excepting so far
as to regulate the work of the staff.

With reference to the article that has appeared in the "Viswakarnataka" of the 7th. February 1932, it is true that a memo was issued by me as President of the Municipality regarding the work of the peon referred to therein. From what I know the Vice-President is not regular in attending Office every day. Off and again he is absent from Head quarters for a number of days. There is only one peon attached to the office and neither the official President nor the non-official Vice-President has any orderlies allowed to either of them. I have received complaints several times that the peon was being impressed for service at home by the Vice-President with the result the office work and the work of the Octroi Manegar suffered to a considerable extent and the peon invariably sought shelter under the plea that he was working under the Vice-President. Moreover the existing scale of establishment does not provide a peon to assist the Bill Collector in his collection and other executive work. It was therefore imperitive that the office peon should be deputed to work with the Bill Collector whenever there was relief for him from office work. There is nothing preventing the Vice-President from enforcing the attendance of this particular peon whenever he (Vice President) made up his mind to attend the office. The memo was passed to locate responsibility on the peon for definite work either in the office or in the matter of collection of Mohatarfa, but it has been construed as denying the services of a peon during office hours to the Vice-President which was never intended. As however the memo has been misunderstood it has been suitably modified.

Regarding the relationship between the President and Vice-President I may be permitted to say that I am not having the benefit of the Vice-President's hearty co-operation in the Municipal administration. There is no practical evidence of the Vice-President taking an active interest in the collection of heavy arrears aggregating to about Rs.7000/-. Apart from active co-operation there have been instances to show that Mr. Gurukar Venkataramana Gowda the Vice-President has tried to hamper collection by misleading the local people after the new Bill Collector was appointed contrary to his wishes. It will be remembered that he took active part in organising the Ryots' Conference which was directly responsible for slackness in collection work in this Taluk to a great extent. The Sub-Division Officer and myself had to point out to him that we expected Mr. Venkataramana Gowda to use his influence and educate public opinion in the right direction instead of mis-leading the ignorant masses. This attitude on my part seems to have been mistaken by him and since then things have not gone alright, in the Municipality also.

P R E S I D E N T.
Kankanhalli Municipal Council.

Kankanhalli.
Dated 4th. May 1932.

Draft replies

(1) There has been no ~~~~ formal delegation

(2) of powers to the Vice President - the present incumbent, however, is stated to have been, ~~~~ standing, exercising the following powers —

who has been the elected V P for over 12 years

(i) Signing all routine correspondence returns and passing ~~intermediate~~ orders "ad interim"

(ii) Receiving petns & applications in the absence of the President from Head Qrs

(iii) Conducting under proper sanction sales of movable properties belonging to the Ml Council or attached under the provisions of the Ml Regs

(iv) Pay & rewards not exceeding Rs 1/- each case for destruction of wild animals & snakes.

(3) Gal have ~~full~~ gone through the article raw

(4) ~~~~ (i) the President is requested to have attended the meeting referred to —

(ii) ~~forwarding~~ ~~Cordial~~ Relations to be so

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